with Finance Secretary as Chairman to consider and process the recommendations of the Pay Commission. Besides, an Implementation Cell headed by an Additional Secretary has been set up in the Ministry of Finance to examine and process the recommendations of the Pay Commission. A cell has also been set-up in the Department of Personnel and Training for the same purpose.

The Empowered Committee/Implementation Cell would, no doubt, examine the various submissions made by the representatives of the Staff Side in the National Council of J. C. M. in this regard. The Government would take a decision in due course after the detailed examination as aforesaid has been completed.

Insurance Premia paid by Banks against Bank Robberies

230. SHRI VALAMPURI JOHN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased state :

(a) what amount was spent in the year 1984-85 on Insurance Premia against robberies in the nationalised banks;

(b) how much is the additional sum insured to the basic total sum;

(c) what amount of money has been stolen from the nationalised banks during the years 1984 and 1985; and

(d) what new measures Government contemplate to check this menace?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and, to the extent available, will be laid on the Table of the House.

Nationalisation of Textile Mills in Gujarat

231. SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some textile mills have been nationalised or taken over by NTC in Gujarat in June, 1986;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) how many textile mills in Gujarat are still lying closed;

(d) what steps have been taken to reopen or to nationalise them; and

(e) whether such demands have been made by various organisations from Gujarat; if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) As per available information 16 Cotton Textile Mills in Gujarat were closed as on 30-6-1986.

(d) The New Textile Policy of June, 1985 envisages that where an unit has no expectation of becoming viable in a reasonable period of time, there may be no alternative to allow the unit to close provided the interests of the workers are protected. Take over the Government or nationalisation of such sick units does not provide solution to the problems of sickness and the Government would not, as a rule, intervene in such cases. A Nodal Agency as envisaged in the New Textile Policy has been set up to evolve and manage Rehabilitation Packages in respect of such textile units that are found to be potentially viable.

(e) Yes, Sir. Representations were received for nationalisation, taking over of sick mills.

Closure of Textile Mills

232. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of textile mills in the country which remained closed from June, 1985 to June, 1986;